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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of the Criteria for the Michigan Statewide System of Support – School and District Audit Tool Development Grant

Federal legislation requires each state to establish a statewide system of support for local educational agencies and schools receiving Title I funds to increase the opportunity for all students to meet the state's academic content and performance standards. An essential component of the Michigan Statewide System of Support is a Comprehensive Audit. The development of a comprehensive school and district audit tool is an essential element of programmatic success.

The grant awarded by the State will be based upon criteria, standards, and weighting identified within the Request for Proposal. Each proposal will be considered as a whole solution, without limitation, including all services proposed, qualifications of the grantee and any subcontractor, and cost.

The grantee will comply with all applicable requirements of State statutes, Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, policies and award conditions governing this program.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the Michigan Statewide System of Support – School and District Audit Tool Development Grant, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 22, 2009.

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☐ Defined in Department's Approved Grant Application to the Funder Staff

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- Research and reporting of effective school and district audit instruments being utilized by other states as part of their statewide system of support.
- A tool, aligned with the Michigan School Improvement Framework, which will assess and report the systemic and programmatic successes and challenges faced by individual Title I, High Priority school buildings and their districts.
- An electronic/web based format which provides immediate feedback for both end users and the state education agency.
- Beta field testing, modification, and support for successful implementation.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT

Eligible applicants would be an intermediate school district/regional educational service agency, universities, educational research and support organizations.

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

\$125,000

LEGISLATION

Section 1117 of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

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